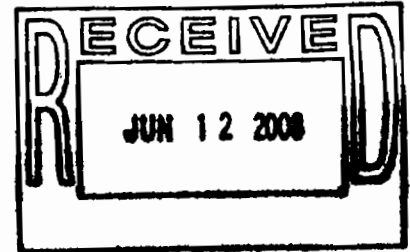


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June 11 2008,

Ms. Sandy Basehore
Skelly and Loy, Inc.
2601 North Front Street
Harrisburg, PA 17710

RE: Finance Docket No. 35116, RJ Corman Railroad Co., Beech Creek Branch Line- Construction and Operation – between Wallacetown and Gorton, Pennsylvania; Preliminary Consultation

Dear Ms. Basehore:

Thank you for the opportunity in allowing us to share our concerns about the letter we received from the Surface Transportation Board. Cooper Township will be impacted in a wide variety of areas.

There are many concerns with the harms it may cause. Here are some of the following thoughts we would like to express:

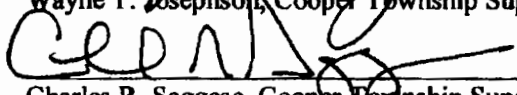
- What will be the effects on the health and safety of our residents and wildlife?
- Traffic will have an impact on our roads and through the backyards of our properties owners.
- Decline of property values in our township and surrounding townships...
- We have 1450 water customer's main source of water is close to Six Mile Run and Black Bear Run which would be affected by any drainage or spillage, which in order runs into Red Moshannon Creek.
- Noise and odor pollution that no one wants in their backyard.

In closing there a lot of unanswered questions. Who will take responsibility to repair any damage to health and safety of our residents, plus roadways and waterways? You can not repair a lot of damage once it is done and who will pay? Our residents are very important to us and it is our job to protect them. So because of this we are not in favor of the proposed reactivation of the railway or of the proposed landfill facility.

Please keep us informed of any meeting or any proposed changes that may arise.

Sincerely:


Wayne T. Josephson, Cooper Township Supervisor, Chairman


Charles R. Saggese, Cooper Township Supervisor, Vice Chairman

Charles S. Engelman, Cooper Township Supervisor